

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A food casing comprising an internal surface coating of a dried aqueous emulsion comprising at least one polyglyceryl ester.
2. The food casing of Claim 1 wherein the coating comprises from about 200 to about 1200 mg per square meter of internal surface of said polyglyceryl ester.
3. The food casing of Claim 2 wherein the polyglyceryl ester is selected from the group consisting of triglyceryltetraoleate and triglycerylmonooleate.
4. The food casing of Claim 2 wherein the aqueous emulsion contains from about 1 to about 5 weight percent polyglyceryl ester.
5. The food casing of Claim 4 wherein the aqueous emulsion additionally contains up to about 2 weight percent of a water soluble cellulose derivative.
6. The food casing of Claim 5 wherein the water soluble cellulose derivative is selected from the group consisting of methylcellulose, hydroxymethylcellulose, hydroxypropylcellulose, and hydroxypropylmethylcellulose.
7. The food casing of Claim 6, wherein the aqueous emulsion additionally contains a water insoluble low viscosity oil.
8. The food casing of Claim 7, wherein the oil is selected from the group consisting of soybean oil, cottonseed oil, mineral oil, animal derived oil, and silicon oil.

9. The food casing of Claim 2 wherein the aqueous emulsion further comprises from about 0.1 to about 2 weight percent of an emulsifier.
10. The food casing of Claim 8 wherein the aqueous emulsion further comprises from about 0.1 to about 2 weight percent of an emulsifier.
11. The food casing of Claim 2 wherein the emulsion contains from about 10 to about 20 weight percent of a polyhydric alcohol.
12. The food casing of Claim 10 wherein the emulsion contains from about 10 to about 20 weight percent of a polyhydric alcohol.
13. The food casing of Claim 11 wherein the polyhydric alcohol is selected from the group consisting of glycerin and propylene glycol.
14. The food casing of Claim 12 wherein the polyhydric alcohol is selected from the group consisting of glycerin and propylene glycol.
15. The food casing of Claim 2 wherein the coating comprises from about 400 to 1000 mg per square meter of polyglyceryl ester.